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Dear Gary,

I am very deeply troubled by Dick's getting Howard to write Dave, for I am certain we briefed Dick on this. I need not tell you what it brings to mind, of what it makes me worry.

The things that bothers me more than this is that I just cannot see how he expected it to work to Howard's benefit. If anything can come of it, it can only be Dave's way. Howard is a very fine boy, unusually bright, with the best intentions and all that. But he is only 18, with less experience with dishonesty and strange characters even than most 18 year olds. Dick had to have known this. I just cannot see why he did this, especially because he knew I twice turned Howard loose in my files, holding nothing at all back from him.

I shall be writing Howard about this. I am sending him a copy of my letter to Dick.

Any hunches, suggestions?

Sincerely,